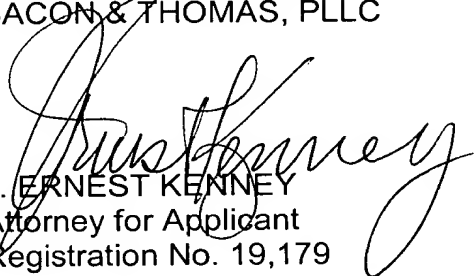


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REMARKS

All rights are reserved to the original claimed subject matter. The claims have been amended to reduce the filing fees and to better conform to U.S. claim format. Examination of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

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APPENDIX OF CLAIMS

1(Amended). A portable data carrier (1) comprising:

A¹ a chip module (41) having contact surfaces (4) connected with an integrated circuit of the module, the chip module (41) being disposed in a gap of the card body (1) and held in said gap by means of a detachable adhesive bond, and the chip module (41) further being disposed within a mini smart card (3);

the mini smart card (3) being disposed within a gap of the card body (1) and held therein by means of a detachable adhesive bond.

2(Amended). A portable data carrier according to claim 1, wherein the mini smart card (3) is disposed in a gap of a further mini smart card (2) which is fastened by means of a detachable adhesive bond in a gap of the card body (1) or a gap of at least one further mini smart card.

3(Amended). A portable data carrier according to either of claims 1 and 2, wherein the different mini smart cards (2,3) and the module (41) have different thicknesses.

4(Amended). A portable data carrier according to claim 1 or 2, wherein at least one of the different mini smart cards (2,3) is separated from the remaining card body by a free punch and connected therewith only by at least one card body bar.

5(Amended). A portable data carrier according to claim 1 or 2, wherein at least the bottom of the gap for a mini smart card in the ID-000 format is dimensioned so thin that a removed mini smart card has standard dimensions.



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APPENDIX OF MARKED-UP VERSION OF CLAIMS

1(Amended). A portable data carrier (1) [with] comprising:

a chip module (41) having contact surfaces (4) connected with an integrated circuit of the module, the chip module (41) being disposed in a gap of the card body (1) and held in said gap by means of a detachable adhesive bond, [characterized in that] and the chip module (41) [is] further being disposed within a mini smart card (3)[,] ;

the mini smart card (3) being disposed within a gap of the card body (1) [in which it is] and held therein by means of a detachable adhesive bond.

2(Amended). A portable data carrier according to claim 1, [characterized in that the stated] wherein the mini smart card (3) is disposed in [the] a gap of a further mini smart card (2) which is fastened by means of a detachable adhesive bond in [the] a gap of the [data carrier] card body (1) or [the] a gap of at least one further mini smart card.

3(Amended). A portable data carrier according to either of claims 1 and 2, [characterized in that] wherein the different mini smart cards (2,3) and the module (41) have different thicknesses.

4(Amended). A portable data carrier according to [any of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that] claim 1 or 2, wherein at least one of the different mini smart cards (2,3) is separated from the remaining card body by a free punch and connected therewith only by at least one card body bar.

5(Amended). A portable data carrier according to [any of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that] claim 1 or 2, wherein at least the bottom of the gap for a mini smart card in the ID-000 format is dimensioned so thin that [the] a removed mini smart card has standard dimensions.